

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111
APPLN. NO. 10/656,160

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REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 9-16, and 20-23 are all the claims pending in the application.

The Examiner rejects claims 1-5, 9-16 and 20-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as allegedly being indefinite. The Examiner also indicates that claims 1-5, 9-16 and 20-23 would be allowable if amended to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112.

In a telephone conversation with Applicants' representatives on June 16, 2005, the Examiner suggested possible amendments for overcoming the rejections. Applicants have amended the claims in the manner suggested by the Examiner. Therefore, the rejections are believed to be overcome.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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